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In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Nelson et al.

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REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Reply is being timely filed in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 15, 2011.

Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: